REMARKS

Claims 1-76 remain pending in the present application. Claims 1, 4, 6, 9 and 14 have been amended. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed.

DRAWINGS

In Figure 1, reference numeral 52 has been added. In Figure 2, the leader line for reference numeral 116 has been extended to touch element 110. In Figure 9, reference numeral 18 has been changed to 218. In Figure 12, reference numeral 248 has been added. In Figure 13, reference numeral 192 has been changed to 312. In Figure 15, duplicate reference numeral 330 has been changed to 318. In Figure 16, reference numeral 116 has been added. In Figure 17, reference numeral 84 has been added and the leader line for reference numeral 24 has been added.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the

Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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